

CATHOLIC CHAPEL OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY BULLETIN

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Daniel 12: 1-3, Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18, Mark 13: 24-32

FOCUS: Amid our daily struggles, we anticipate Christ's Second Coming.

Today's three readings weave together a message of hope concerning the Second Coming of Christ. Daniel announces that the wise shall shine in splendor, and those leading many to justice shall be as stars forever. Jesus says that the Son of Man will come with great power and glory, and will send out angels to gather the elect. The letter to the Hebrews reminds us that Jesus offered one sacrifice for sins which made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. The emphasis in each reading is on the triumph of those who have joined themselves to the sacrifice of Jesus, lived life wisely, led others to justice, and, thus, been given a place among the elect. This is indeed good news!

The readings from Daniel and from Mark look to the future with a blend of warning and fulfillment. Daniel notes the approach of a period of "unsurpassed distress," however, he also promises the escape of those whose names are "written in the book" and the rising of those "asleep in the dust." The triumph of the wise and of those who lead others to justice will outweigh the fate of the condemned. Jesus describes the days of tribulation when the sun and moon will be darkened, the stars will fall from their moorings, and the heavenly powers will be shaken. Jesus also emphasizes the glory and power attending the coming of the Son of Man when the angels will gather the elect from the ends of earth and sky to that glory and power.

To those curious about specific details regarding these future events, Jesus gives several warnings. First, before the power of the Son of Man comes into its own, there will be trials-severe ones-such that it may seem the entire world will collapse. This disorder will be a sign that announces the coming of the Son of Man. Its parallel is the coming of the Son of Man. Its parallel is found in nature when the sprouting fig branches announce the coming of summer. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

Second, we are not to be concerned about when these things will happen. "No one knows, neither the angels in heaven, not the Son, but only the Father." Here Jesus does not claim the divine knowledge possessed by the Father, but respects the limitations in his human nature. Time belongs to the human realm, not to the divine. Any attempt to match human concepts of time with the divine scope of eternity would be pointless.

The vagueness of the future, as described in the Scriptures, can stimulate us to imagine ourselves participating in the new creation as chosen ones whose names are written in the book and who have heard the angelic summons.

We become entirely transformed. We enter heaven with all sins forgiven, wrapped in the newness of resurrection, radiant as was Jesus emerging from the tomb. God calls us to look forward to "new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells" (2Pt 3:13). We are part of Christ's one sacrifice, dwelling among the elect forever.

We can live out our earthly days focused on the choice of being among the elect forever. We have that choice because of the sacrifice of Jesus. Through the Cross we are continually being consecrated. The losses, sorrows, and joys of life are all part of that consecration. So, with courage, we reach out for God's eternal perspective. We encourage ourselves by recalling our union, even now, with Jesus in the Eucharist and with the holy ones who have preceded us in the Communion of Saints.



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MCCW Announcement

MCCW sponsors a Mercy Meals program to assist parish families who have experienced a hospitalization of a family member, childbirth, or any other event where meals would prove helpful. Please contact Candice Banks at 446-0036 if you, or a family you know, could use a meal!

MCCW sponsors an Elder Outreach Program in support of homebound adults in the Highland Falls area. If you would like to participate in this program by visiting an elderly adult at least monthly, please contact Carol Morris at 446-2154. This is a great family, RE Class, Club or group ministry! These visits are especially appreciated

SCRIPTURE FOR WEEK OF Nov 16, 2003

Mon – 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63,
Luke 18:35-43, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
Tue – 2 Maccabees 6:18-31, Luke 19: 1-10
Wed – 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31, Luke 19: 11-28
Thurs – 1 Maccabees 2: 15-29, Luke 19: 41-44
Fri – 1 Maccabees 4: 36-37, 52-59, Luke 19: 45-48
Sat – 1 Maccabees 6: 1-13, Luke 20: 27-40

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Sat 15 Nov 0900 Parishioners of MHT
Sat 15 Nov 1715 Parishioners of MHT
Sun 16 Nov 0900 Joseph Lusk
Sun 16 Nov 1100 Richard Joyce
Mon 17 Nov 1205 William Swan
Tue 18 Nov 0900 Clifford Allan
Wed 19 Nov 1205 Ann Hayden
Thurs 20 Nov 1205
Fri 21 Nov 1205 Johnathon Pettway

Attendance and Offering Last Weekend:

Attendance 445 Offering \$2,457.15

**This weeks Designated Offering: Nov 15/16 will be for
The Military Archdiocese**

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR NOV 22-23

1715 E. Naessens, A. O'Hara, CDT C. Feher
0900 M. Beardmore, M. Siry, CDT J. Malizewski
1100 L. Wigger, M. Cushing, K. Hayden, M. Torres,
CDT E. Wagoner, CDT R. Weldzius

USHERS FOR NOV 22-23

1715 Chad Bagley
0900 B. Beauvais
1100 Jackson

ALTAR SERVERS NOV 22-23

1715 Jonathan Pultz, Sarah Pultz, Paul Humphrey
0900 Luke Hyder, John Rubarger, Corey Matthews
1100 Tom Lesinski, Celeigh Weliver, Sarah Westhusin

LECTORS FOR NOV 22-23

1715 John Blanc / Carmen Brick
0900 Tom Strunck / Beth Vollmer
1100 Jennifer Barrow / August Boschert

I have a question. Whom do I call?

Pastoral Coordinator...Kate Hayden 938-8760
Chaplain's Assistant... SPC Alexander 938-3721

Director Rel-Ed... Kay Heppes... 938-8761
Faith Formation, Rel. Education of Children & Adults, RCIA.

Wedding Coordinator....Lorraine Finn...932-2784

Wedding information, scheduling, paperwork,
Pre-Cana/Engaged Encounter information.

Director of Music.... Meredith Baker...938-3544
Adult, Children's and Cadet Choir, Wedding Music, Liturgical Music.

Pastor.... Fr. Joseph Deponai...938-3721
Reconciliation, Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Pastoral and Sacramental Concerns.

Cadet Issues....Fr. Edson Wood...938-2784

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RECONCILIATION, ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION:

Wednesday 1820 –1930 at MHT Chapel



SUNDAY SOCIALS

Your parish needs you-no experience required.

If you enjoyed your coffee and donut after church on Sunday—Please prayerfully consider serving our faith community. We need volunteers to “Host Sunday Mass.” The job is easy and the rewards are bountiful. If interested please sign-up after mass, the sign-up sheet is located at the rear of the chapel on the bulletin board, or call the Tiger’s at 446-3254. Thanks and God Bless

CADET Thanksgiving Mass & Pie Social

Tuesday, November 25th at 1930. Sign up to donate a Pie! Sign up rosters at back of Church. POC : LTC & Mrs Tiger at 446- 3254 with questions. Thanks for making our West Point Thanksgiving social.

Prayer & Bible Study

Please come join us at Sacred Heart Rectory every Wednesday evening at 7:30 for Prayer and Bible Study. We love reading and discussing the word of God and look forward to having you join us. Currently we are reading about Solomon in the Book of Kings. POC is Ray Schembri 446-4602

Dates to Remember

Religious Education Highlights:

Sacrament Parent Meetings and Rites:

Tues Nights—RCIA , 1930 Rm 5326 Washington Hall,

16 November—Reconciliation Parent meeting, Rm 348 Thayer Hall, 0920 hrs.

16 November- Baptismal preparation class—1215, Cloister room.

POC: “Ms. Kay” Heppes @ 938-8761, yc3921@usma.edu

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

GOD’S TYM (Total Youth Ministries)

POC: Michelle Kelley @ 424-3609

November 16 - God’s TYM 7-9pm. Teens and their parents from Daytop will come to speak. Parents are invited but there will be a separate meeting for them. (Daytop Village is the Catholic Agency that deals with drug abuse problems.)

November 23 -God’s TYM -7-9pm Speaker:Father Joseph Tierney from the Archdiocese Vocational Office. Topic: “A dramatic event that changed his perspective on life.”

November 29 - *Thanksgiving Dance* at CYFM gym 7-11pm. Tickets \$8 prior, \$10 at the door.

November 30 - No Meeting - Thanksgiving Holiday

The Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW) would like to thank you for your contributions to Operation Freedoms Library and Our Good Council Homes (children’s collections). During the month of October, there were over 1200 books/magazines donated - that is more than one book per parishioner! In our comforts of home, it’s easy to forget about how something so simple as reading a book will lift a spirit. Again, MCCW thanks you, the soldiers thank you, and the children thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity. Please continue to pray for their safe keeping and may God continue to bless you and yours!

Catholic Book Club

Our next book is *Life Giving Love* by Kimberly Hahn. We will meet Monday, Dec 1 @ 7:00 in the Rectory. Question call Michele Perez 446-8108 or Patty Verzola 446-7926

Musings from the Pastor's Corner

Let us resolve to **Pray the Rosary daily** for those deployed and the families who await their return.

We welcome Fr. Phil Hill from the Office of the Chief of Chaplains as he visits Most Holy Trinity this weekend to celebrate Consider the Call weekend with our parish family. Though his visit will be short, we are grateful for his effort to get here this weekend.

Where will the Chaplains for our Catholics come from in 7 years? The answer is in the congregations of the military parishes throughout the world. Let's pray for vocations and be open to the call to serve the Lord and His Church!

Marriage Encounter! Get ready to enrich your already powerful marriage! More details comings! We are most lucky to have a number of Marriage Encounter qualified couples in our parish. Family is the key!

With Gratitude and prayer,

Fr. Jerry

Spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist: Wednesday, 1820-1925 @ MHT. Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction. Confessions are available!

Come join us for daily Mass every Saturday at 0900 at MHT.

MARRIED COUPLES!

How would you like to spend a weekend away with your spouse - just the two of you before the holiday madness begins? Away from everything: the kids, job, phone, bills and house? Plan to get away to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The last Weekend of 2003 will be November 21 - 23 at the Comfort Inn in Nanuet, NY. For more information call: 212-371-1000x3190, 718-707-1050, 914-378-5464 or 845-635-8566, or our POC Tom and Mary Julick at 446-1071